

during consideration of the Labor-HHS appropriations bill: Richard Litsey, Jorie Cruz, and James Reavis.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ASSISTANCE FOR ORPHANS AND OTHER VULNERABLE CHILDREN IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 1409, which was received from the House.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 1409) to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to provide assistance for orphans and other vulnerable children in developing countries, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. LUGAR. Mr. President, I rise to comment on H.R. 1409, a companion bill to S. 350, the Assistance for Orphans and Other Vulnerable Children in Developing Countries Act of 2005, which I introduced earlier this year. Prior to its passage, I want to address a concern that the administration has raised about the bill.

I want to clarify that this legislation is in no way intended to undercut the existing authority of the Global AIDS Coordinator over all U.S. Government resources and programs relating to international HIV/AIDS. The Office of the Global AIDS Coordinator has made tremendous progress in bringing together U.S. Government resources in addressing orphans and vulnerable children as part of the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief. In accordance with section 102 of Public Law 108-25, the U.S. Leadership Against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria Act of 2003, the Global AIDS Coordinator has primary responsibility for programming and directing funds for all international HIV/AIDS activities carried out by the U.S. Government.

This legislation is not intended to create new or separate authorities in programming or funding under the emergency plan regarding orphans and vulnerable children and HIV/AIDS programs, but rather provides for an advisory position to ensure that the best approaches to addressing the needs of this population are employed in our foreign HIV/AIDS programs. I would expect that the position created by this new legislation would work within the processes developed by the Office of the Global AIDS Coordinator to ensure that planning and implementation of any orphans and vulnerable children programs relating to international HIV/AIDS are consistent with the goals of the emergency plan. In fact, it is possible that this position may indeed be within the Office of the Global AIDS Coordinator, at the discretion of the Secretary of State, because of the close

relationship of HIV/AIDS and its effect on orphans and vulnerable children.

The AIDS orphan crisis in sub-Saharan Africa has implications for political stability, development, and human welfare that extend far beyond the region, affecting governments and people worldwide. Every 14 seconds another child is orphaned by AIDS. Turning the tide on this crisis will require a coordinated, comprehensive, and swift response. I am hopeful that Senators will join me in backing this important legislation.

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent the bill be read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid on the table, and any statements be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 1409) was read the third time and passed.

CONVEYANCE OF LAND FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUYALLUP INDIAN TRIBE

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 162, S. 1382.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The clerk will report the bill by title. The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1382) to require the Secretary of the Interior to accept the conveyance of certain land, to be held in trust for the benefit of the Puyallup Indian tribe.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent the bill be read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid on the table, and any statements relating to the bill be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (S. 1382) was read the third time and passed, as follows:

S. 1382

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. PUYALLUP INDIAN TRIBE LAND CLAIMS SETTLEMENT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Interior shall—

(1) accept the conveyance of the parcels of land within the Puyallup Reservation described in subsection (b); and

(2) hold the land in trust for the benefit of the Puyallup Indian tribe.

(b) LAND DESCRIPTION.—The parcels of land referred to in subsection (a) are as follows:

(1) PARCEL A.—Lot B, boundary line adjustment 9508150496, as depicted on the map dated August 15, 1995, held in the records of the Pierce County Auditor, situated in the city of Fife, county of Pierce, State of Washington.

(2) PARCEL B.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Parcel B shall be comprised of land situated in the city of Fife, county of Pierce, State of Washington, more particularly described as follows:

(i) Lots 3 and 4, Pierce County Short Plat No. 8908020412, as depicted on the map dated

August 2, 1989, held in the records of the Pierce County Auditor, together with portion of SR 5 abutting lot 4, conveyed by the deed recorded under Recording No. 9309070433, described as follows:

(I) That portion of Government lot 1, sec. 07, T. 20 N., R. 4 E., of the Willamette Meridian, described as commencing at Highway Engineer's Station AL 26 6+38.0 P.O.T. on the AL26 line survey of SR 5, Tacoma to King County line.

(II) Thence S88°54'30" E., along the north line of said lot 1 a distance of 95 feet to the true point of beginning.

(III) Thence S01°05'30" W87.4' feet.

(IV) Thence westerly to a point opposite Highway Engineer's Station AL26 5+50.6 P.O.T. on said AL26 line survey and 75 feet easterly therefrom.

(V) Thence northwesterly to a point opposite AL26 5+80.6 on said AL26 line survey and 55 feet easterly therefrom.

(VI) Thence northerly parallel with said line survey to the north line of said lot 1.

(VII) Thence N88°54'30" E., to the true point of beginning.

(ii) Chicago Title Insurance Company Order No. 4293514 lot A boundary line adjustment recorded under Recording No. 9508150496, as depicted on the map dated August 15, 1995, held in the records of the Pierce County Auditor.

(B) EXCLUSION.—Excluded from Parcel B shall be that portion of lot 4 conveyed to the State of Washington by deed recorded under recording number 9308100165 and more particularly described as follows:

(i) Commencing at the northeast corner of said lot 4.

(ii) Thence N89°53'30" W., along the north line of said lot 4 a distance of 147.44 feet to the true point of beginning and a point of curvature.

(iii) Thence southwesterly along a curve to the left, the center of which bears S0°06'30" W., 55.00 feet distance, through a central angle of 89°01'00", an arc distance of 85.45 feet.

(iv) Thence S01°05'30" W., 59.43 feet.

(v) Thence N88°54'30" W., 20.00 feet to a point on the westerly line of said lot 4.

(vi) Thence N0°57'10" E., along said westerly line 113.15 feet to the northwest corner of said lot 4.

(vii) Thence S89°53'30" east along said north line, a distance of 74.34 feet to the true point of beginning.

(3) ADDITIONAL LOTS.—Any lots acquired by the Puyallup Indian tribe located in block 7846, 7850, 7945, 7946, 7949, 7950, 8045, or 8049 in the Indian Addition to the city of Tacoma, State of Washington.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2005

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, October 25. I further ask that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved, and there then be a period for morning business for up to 30 minutes, equally divided between the two leaders or their designees, with the first 15 minutes under majority control; provided further that the Senate then resume consideration of H.R. 3010, the Labor-HHS appropriations bill. I further ask unanimous consent that at 10:30 the Senate proceed to a vote in relation to the Specter amendment No.

2197, with no second-degree amendments in order to the amendment prior to the vote.

I further ask unanimous consent that the Senate recess from 12:30 to 2:15 for the weekly policy luncheons.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. FRIST. Today the Senate returned to the Labor-HHS appropriations bill, the final appropriations bill for this fiscal year. Indeed, I thank my colleagues for participating and so systematically going through each and every one of these appropriations bills with this being the last. The two managers are here and are ready to roll up

their sleeves on this bill and to keep it moving along. Chairman SPECTER was here all Friday, last Friday, and all day today. It is now time for Members to come forward with their amendments and not put this off, not postpone, not delay until later in the week. We are going to finish the bill this week. If cloture becomes necessary, we will file that motion at the necessary time. I hope and expect that tomorrow will be a full day with amendments and votes.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the

Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:07 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, October 25, 2005, at 9:30 a.m.

CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate: Monday, October 24, 2005:

THE JUDICIARY

BRIAN EDWARD SANDOVAL, OF NEVADA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEVADA.

HARRY SANDLIN MATTICE, JR., OF TENNESSEE, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE.